GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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PANCHAYAT YUVA KRIDA AUR KHEL ABHIYAN
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to launch Panchayat Yuva Krida aur Khel Abhiyan in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the nature of basic sports infrastructure and sports activities proposed to be provided under the scheme at the village and block level Panchayat; and

(d) the funds proposed to be allocated under the Scheme during the year 2008-09 and the Eleventh Five Year Plan as whole?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS(DR. M. S. GILL)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The Government has recently approved the Panchayat Yuva Krida aur Khel Abhiyan, which aims at creation of basic sports infrastructure at grassroots level, in all panchayats of the country, in a phased manner during 11th and 12th Five year Plan periods, and organizing sports competitions at village, block and district levels.

Under the Scheme, each Village Panchayat and each Block Panchayat, would be given onetime seed capital grant of Rs.1 lakh, and Rs.5 lakh, respectively. The state contribution in this will be 25% for normal states, and 10% for Special Category States. In addition, while village panchayats would be given annual equipment acquisition grant, and annual operational grant of Rs.10,000 and Rs.12,000 per annum, respectively, block panchayats would be given Rs.20,000 and Rs.24,000, respectively.

Each block panchyat, would also be provided annual competition grant of Rs.50,000, for holding block level competitions. Each district will be provided annual competition grant of Rs.3 lakh, for holding district level competitions. Further, prize money would also be provided to the winners (first three positions), in block level and district level competitions.

(d) An amount of Rs.125.00 crore has been allocated under this scheme for the year 2008-09 and an amount of Rs.1567.36 crore has been allocated for the 11th Five Year Plan.